IN THE UN! STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Daniel E. ALESI

Serial No.

Filed: concurrently herewith

Divisional of 09/413,803 filed October 7, 1999

For: Safety Device for Intravenous

Infusion Needles

Art Unit:

Examiner:

Atty Docket: 0100/0118

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-23

Respectfully submitted,

Louis Woo, Reg. No. 31,730

Law Offices of Louis Woo

1901 N. Fort Myer Drive, Suite 501

Arlington, Virginia 22209 Phone: (703) 522-8872

Date: Jel 15 2001